

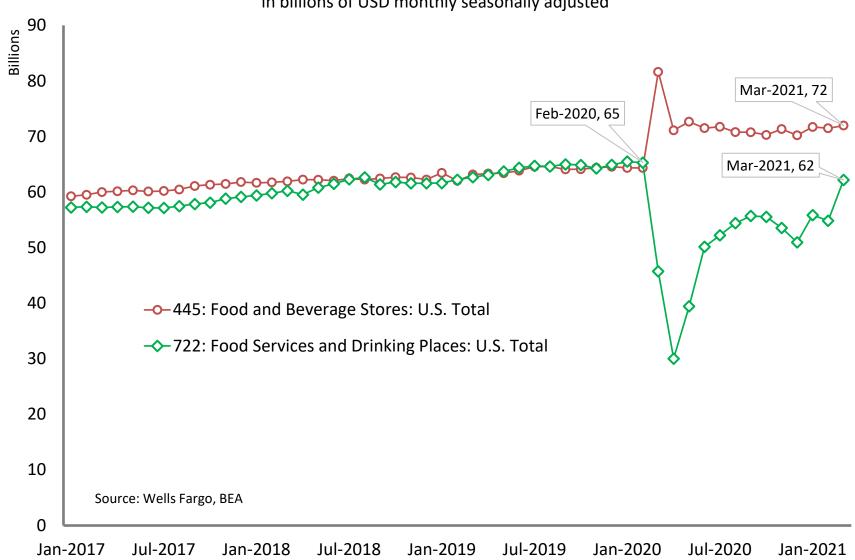


2021 Outlook for Food and Agriculture: Reversion to Normal

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It all depends on your sales channels.

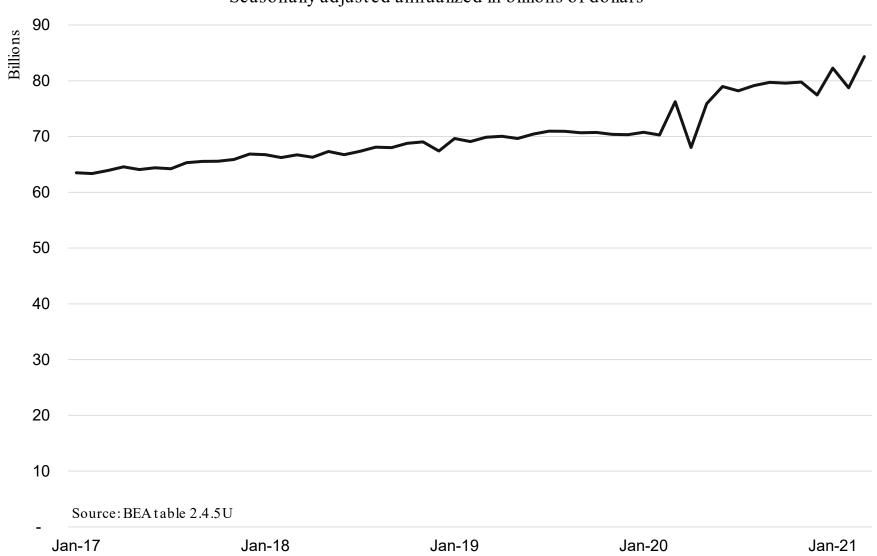




Sales have been historically strong.

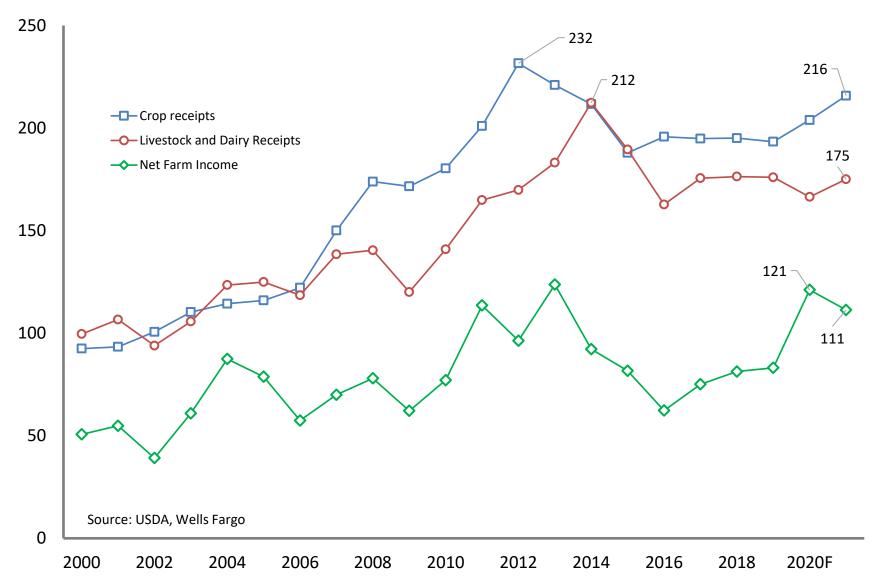
Pets and related products

Seasonally adjusted annualized in billions of dollars



All said and done, 2020 was profitable.

USDA Farm Financials in Billions of Dollars

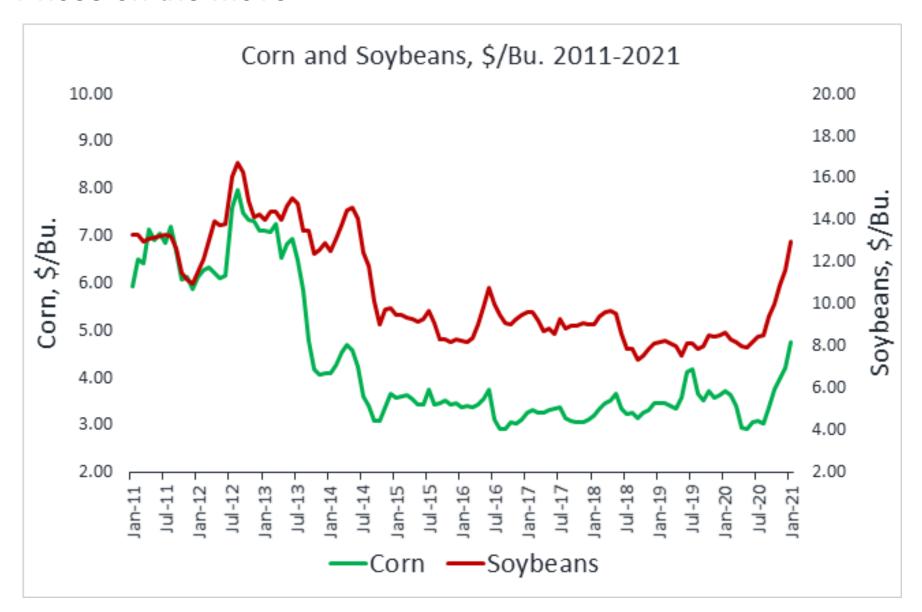


What's up with the recent rally?

- 1. Mild supply shock
 - 1. U.S. yields were "slightly weak"
 - 2. South America is/was "too dry"
- 2. China is back
 - 1. Normalized trade
 - 2. Rebuilding it hog herds
 - 3. Economic growth normalizes
- 3. Ethanol demand is weak and weakening

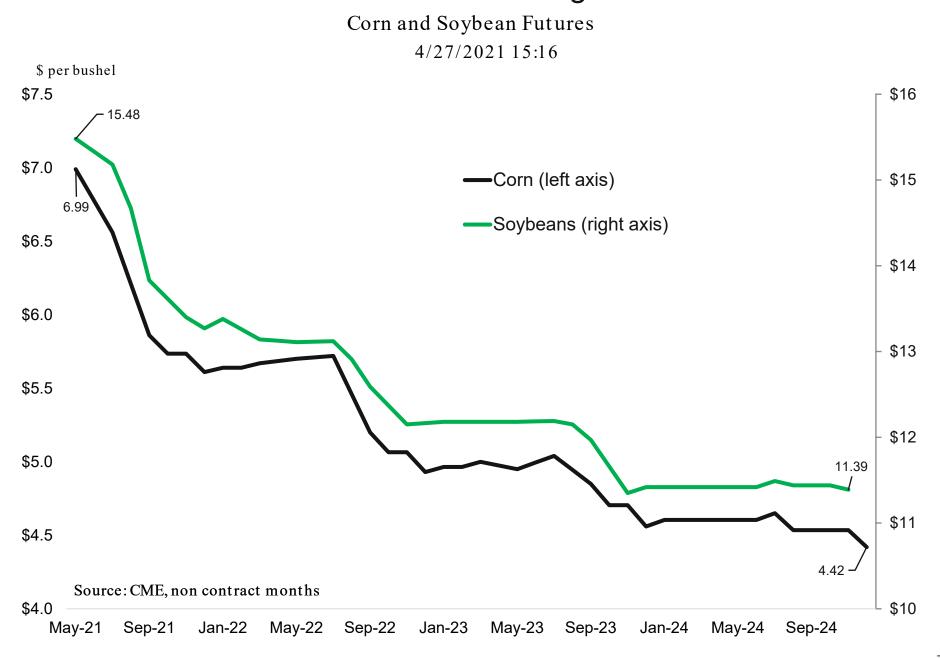
Source: Wells Fargo

Prices on the move.

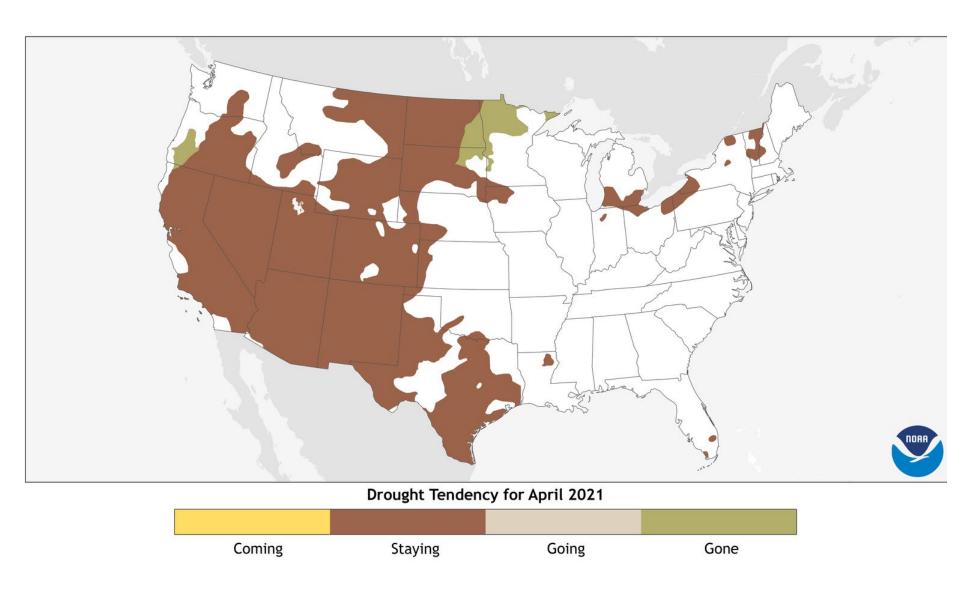


Source: Wells Fargo, USDA

The new normal lasts about one trading session.



It's always about the rain in the I states.



Source: NOAA

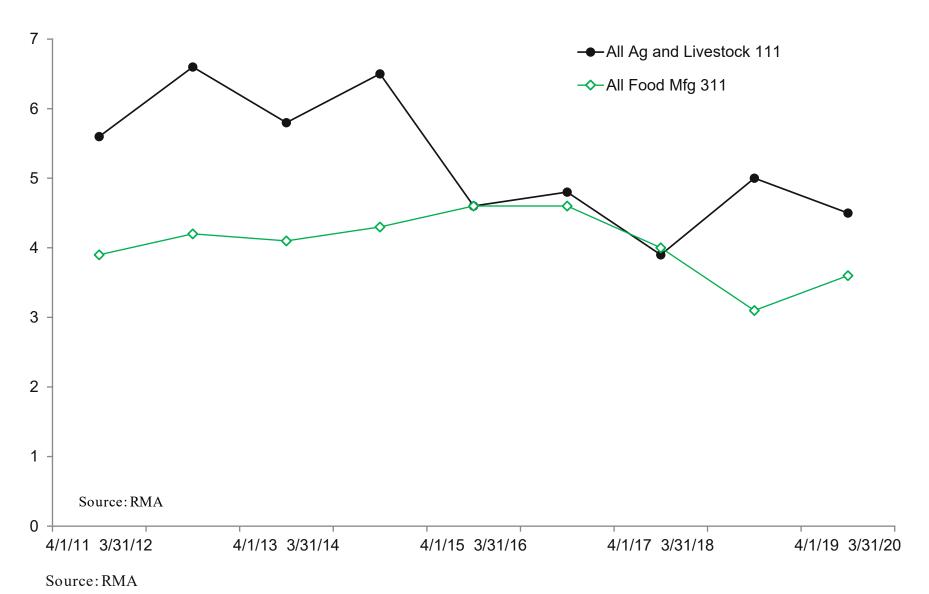
Determinants of Profitability

- Suppliers' selling power
- Users' buying power
- Inter-industry competitiveness
- New entrants
- Substitutes

^{*} Analysis based on Michael Porter's framework

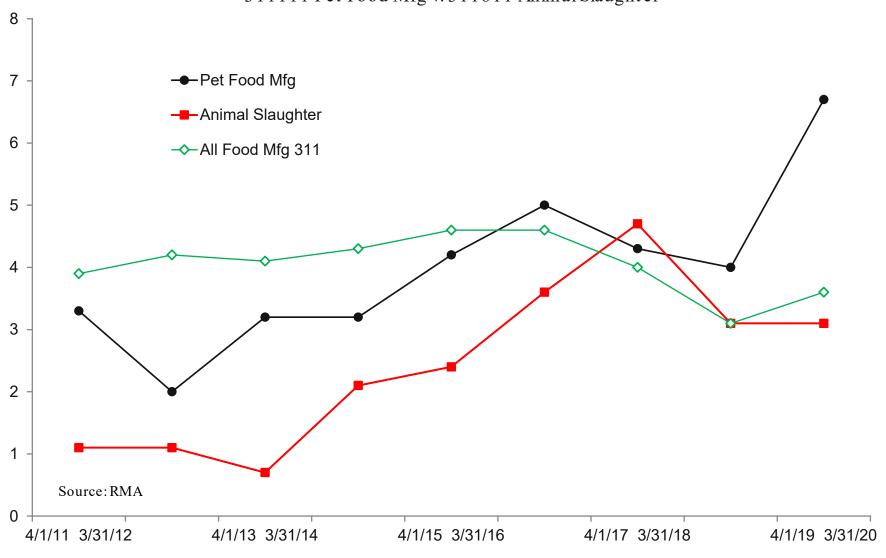
Connected but not the same.

Pct Profit Before Taxes:



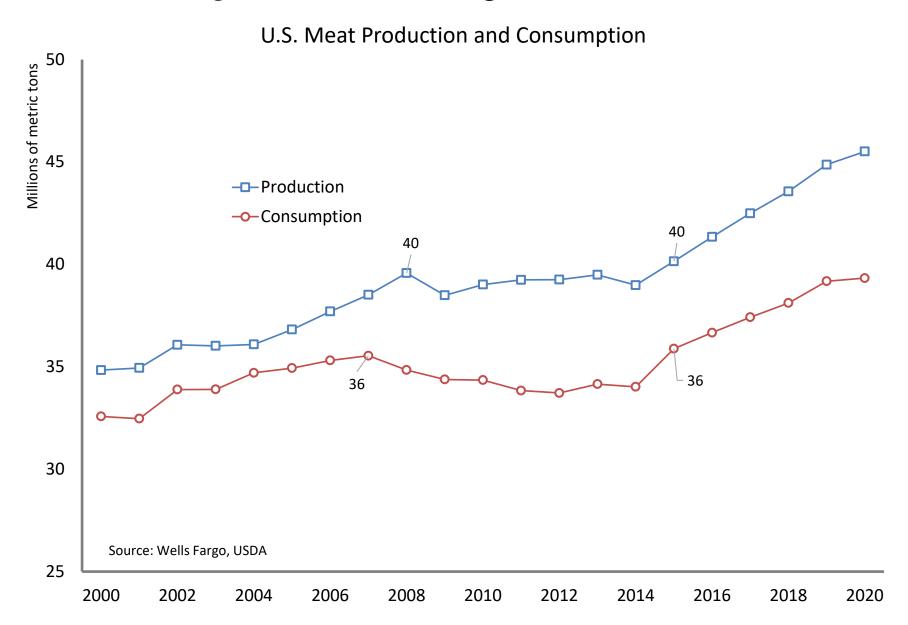
The Food Manufacturing ecosystem.

Pct Profit Before Taxes:
311111 Pet Food Mfg v. 311611 Animal Slaughter



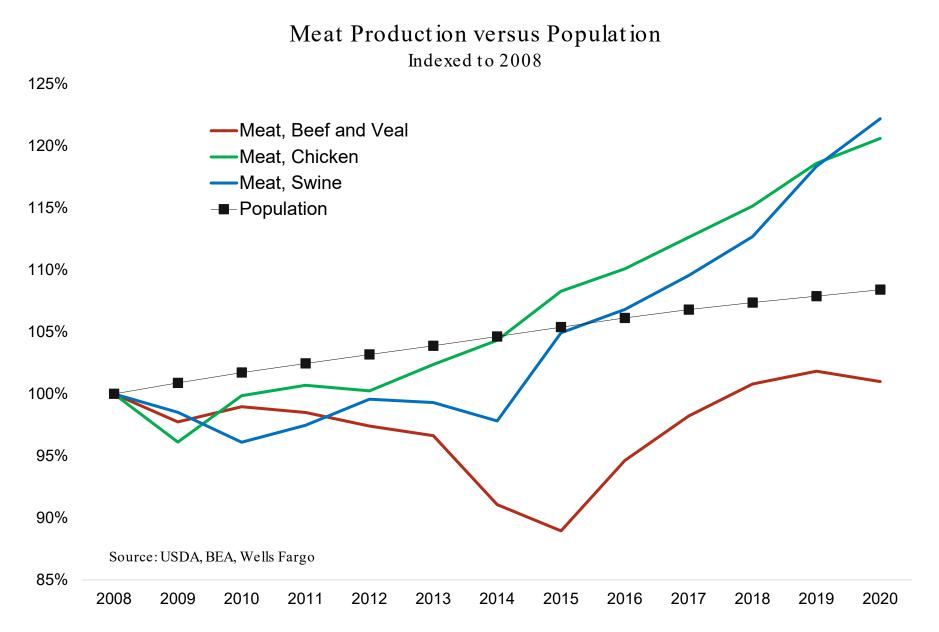
Source: RMA

This is the longerm driver of U.S. agriculture.



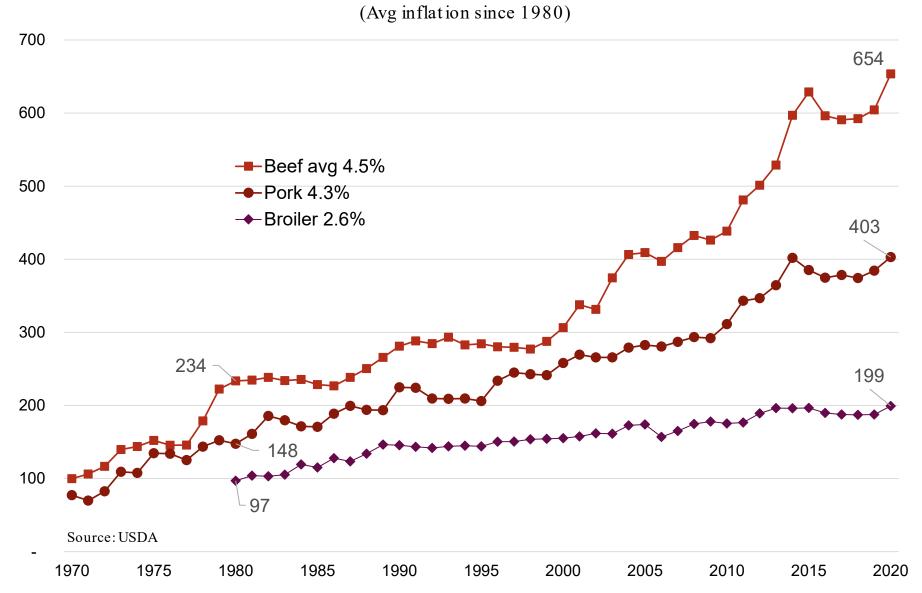
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Only 2 of the big 3 are on the move.

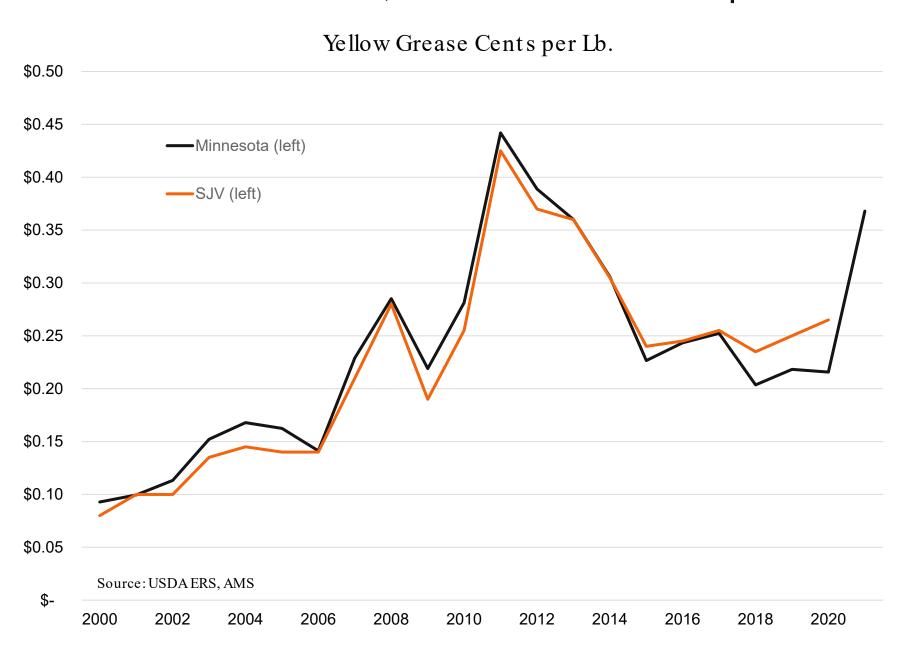


Not surprisingly, they offer the consumer a better value.

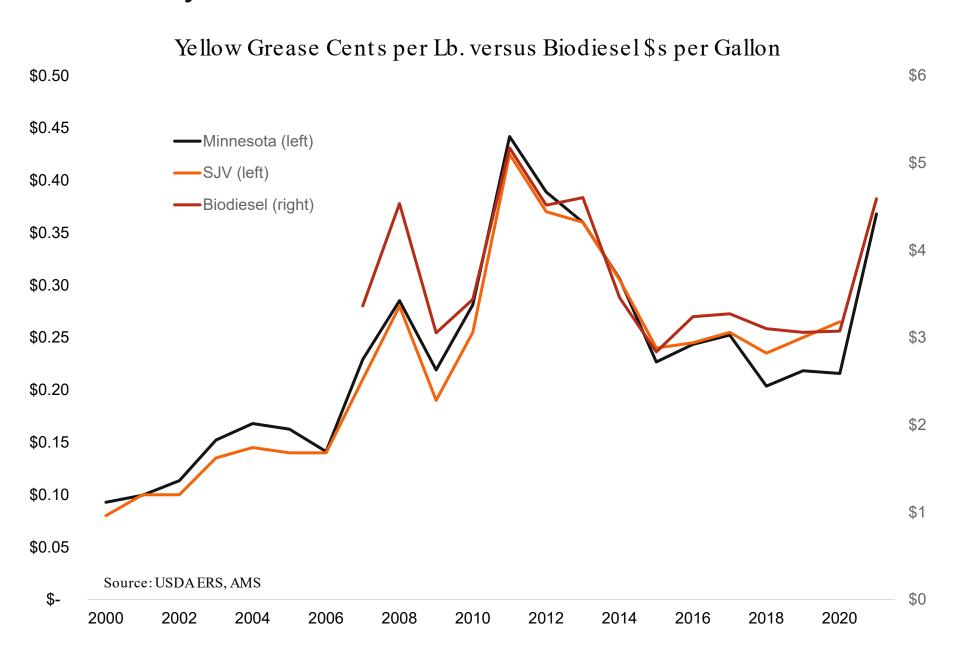
Retail Price: Cents per lb.



Not the driver of value, but a real cash component.



It's a lobbyist's dream.



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